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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.56 and in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.97 et seq., Applicants, through and by their attorneys, hereby wish to direct the Examiner's attention to the documents listed on the attached modified PTO Form 1449 and the copies of those documents presented herewith for the Examiner's review and convenience.

Applicants also wish to bring the following commonly-assigned pending patent applications to the attention of the Examiner:

- U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/565227 filed May 4, 2000, by Newman et al. for "SYSTEM AND DISPENSER FOR DISPENSING WET WIPES."
- U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/659283 filed September 12, 2000, by Newman et al. for "CONTAINER FOR WET WIPES."
- U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/900359 filed July 6, 2001, by Faulks et al. for "SYSTEM FOR DISPENSING PLURALITY OF WET WIPES."
- U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/909408 filed July 19, 2001, by Newman et al. "CARTRIDGE FOR MOIST WIPES."
- U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/564531 filed May 4, 2000, by Lang et al. "ION-SENSITIVE, WATER-DISPERSIBLE POLYMERS, A METHOD OF MAKING SAME AND ITEMS USING SAME."



U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/900698 filed July 7, 2001, by Lang et al. "PRE-MOISTENED WIPE PRODUCT."

- U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/659307 filed September 12, 2000, by Newman et al. "MOUNTING SYSTEM FOR A WET WIPES DISPENSER."
- U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/871019 filed May 31, 2001, by Sosalla "STACK OF FAN FOLDED MATERIAL AND COMBINATIONS THEREOF."
- U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/916825 filed July 27, 2001, by Faulks et al. "WET WIPES DISPENSER AND BRACKET SYSTEM."

These applications are not listed on the accompanying PTO Form 1449; however, copies of these applications are provided herewith.

By inclusion of any given document in this Information Disclosure Statement, Applicants in no way admit that such document is effective as prior art against the above-identified application under either 35 U.S.C. 102 or 35 U.S.C. 103.

Additionally, submission of any document is not to be taken as an admission of the materiality of the document to the prosecution of the present application.

The Examiner is requested to review each cited document and personally determine its prior art status.

Applicants recommend that the Examiner conduct an independent search for any and all available material prior art and independently review the results of such search and the documents cited within this Statement.

Applicants request the Examiner, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.97, to indicate and make of record receipt and review of all of these documents by initialing the appropriate box in the accompanying PTO-1449. Applicants request that the undersigned receive a copy of the initialed PTO-1449.

If the Examiner refuses to consider any or all of the herein submitted materials because it is the Examiner's opinion that this Information Disclosure Statement is not in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.97, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner notify the undersigned, in writing, as to the basis of such opinion.

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